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WILLIAM T FUJIOKA
Chief Executive Officer

September 9, 2008

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**AUTHORIZE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE, OFFICE OF EMERGENCY
MANAGEMENT TO OBTAIN AND MANAGE FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
PROVIDED BY THE FEDERAL DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY
(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS AFFECTED) (3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

The Chief Executive Office, Office of Emergency Management (OEM) is seeking authorization to obtain and administer the 2008 Homeland Security Grant Programs (HSGP) for the Los Angeles County Operational Area. The County of Los Angeles receives funding from the Department of Homeland Security for the following grant programs: State Homeland Security Grant Program (SHSGP), Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI), Metropolitan Medical Response System (MMRS), and Regional Terrorism Threat Assessment Center (RTTAC).

Federal financial grant assistance is used to plan for potential incidents, purchase equipment, develop exercises, and conduct training. This grant will enhance the ability of County and local fire, emergency medical services, hazardous materials, urban search and rescue, law enforcement, public works, public health, and emergency management first response capabilities.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Authorize OEM to obtain and manage this Federal financial assistance, provided by the Department of Homeland Security and passed through the Governor's Office of Homeland Security, to enhance the ability to prevent, deter, respond to and recover from emergencies and disasters, whether natural or man-made.

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2. Adopt the attached Governing Body Resolution which authorizes OEM to execute, on behalf of the County, any actions necessary to obtain Federal financial assistance.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The overall purpose of the HSGP is to provide funding to enhance the ability of the State, operational and urban areas and local jurisdictions, to prevent, deter, respond to, and recover from threats and incidents of terrorism. Financial assistance is used to plan for potential incidents, purchase equipment, develop exercises, and conduct training. This will enhance County and local fire, emergency medical services, hazardous materials, urban search and rescue, law enforcement, public works, public health, and emergency management first response capabilities.

In 2008, California is estimated to receive \$237,643,478 in Federal HSGP funds. The estimated HSGP allocation for the Los Angeles County Operational Area is \$79,638,207. Of this amount, \$21,352,544 is designated for SHSGP, \$963,663 is designated for MMRS, \$1,000,000 is designated for RTTAC, and \$56,322,000 is designated for the Los Angeles /Long Beach UASI.

SHSGP requires the County to submit grant documents including, but not limited to, Fiscal Year 2008 Grant Application, Approval Authority signature page, Governing Body Resolutions, Grant Assurances, Reimbursement Requests, Performance Reports, and Sub-recipient Agreements.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

- Goal No. 1: Service Excellence, Strategy 2 – Implement programs to improve the efficiency, quality, and responsiveness of County services to all residents.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The Department of Homeland Security dispenses funds to the State who then provides financial assistance to the County to purchase equipment, develop exercises, and conduct training to enhance local fire, emergency medical services, hazardous materials, urban search and rescue, law enforcement, public works, public health, and emergency management first response capabilities. There is no cost share or matching fund requirement.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The Department of Homeland Security, through the Governor's Office of Homeland Security, has provided the Los Angeles County Operational Area with specific guidelines for the administration and management of this grant. These guidelines detail the activities and expenditures that are allowable.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

This grant will provide funding to the Operational Area for planning, equipment, training and exercises. SHSGP helps prevent terrorism, prepares local jurisdictions, and assists the first responders. OEM receives management and administration funds and oversees the SHSGP grant program with input from the Homeland Security Grant Task Force and the Approval Authority.

CONCLUSION

Upon execution by the Board of Supervisors, please send an adopted copy of this action to the OEM for processing.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "William T. Fujioka", with a stylized flourish at the end.

William T Fujioka
Chief Executive Officer

WTF: SRH: RDC
MJB:REW:lbm

Attachment

c: County Counsel

**Governing Body Resolution
(For Operational Areas and Urban Areas)**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
(Governing Body)

OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES THAT
(Name of Applicant)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER (CEO), OR
(Name or Title of Authorized Agent)

ADMINISTRATOR, Office of Emergency Management (OEM), OR
(Name or Title of Authorized Agent)

ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR, Office of Emergency Management (OEM),
(Name or Title of Authorized Agent)

is hereby authorized to execute for and on behalf of the named applicant, a public entity established under the laws of the State of California, any actions necessary for the purpose of obtaining federal financial assistance provided by the federal Department of Homeland Security and sub-granted through the State of California.

Passed and approved this Ninth day of September, 20 08

Certification

I, Yvonne B. Burke, duly appointed and
(Name)

Chair of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors
(Title) (Governing Body)

do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a resolution passed and approved by

the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles on the
(Governing body) (Name of Applicant)

Ninth day of September, 20 08.

Chair, Board of Supervisors

(Official Position)

Yvonne B. Burke
(Signature)



ATTEST: SACHI A. HAMAI
EXECUTIVE OFFICER
CLERK OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
By Sachi A. Hamai Deputy